



# Overview of Enabling Research Activities

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# Strategy for Enabling Research



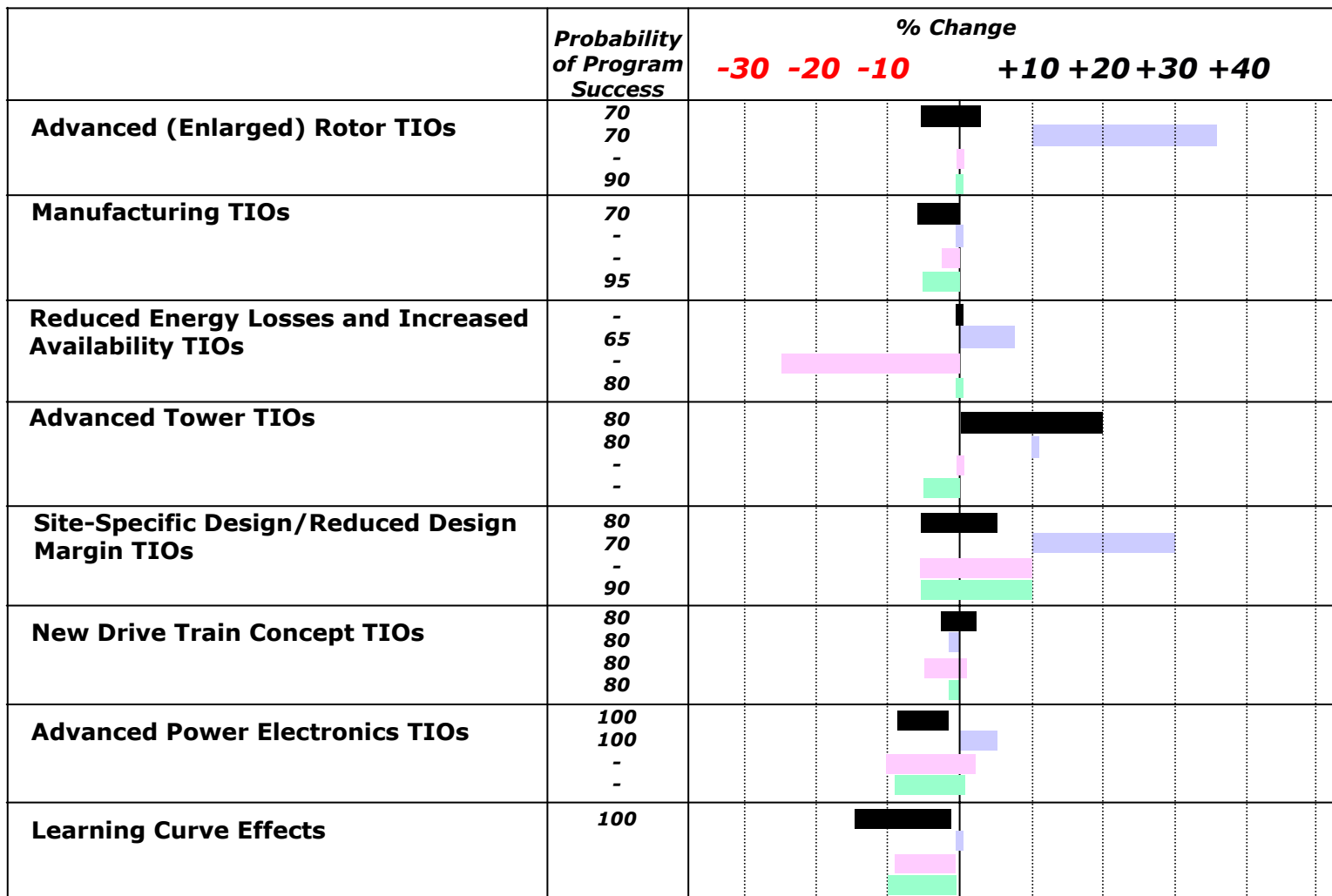
- Two Applications
  - LWST
  - DWT
- Investments guided by TIOs
  - Direct impact on COE is through the subcontracts that deliver systems, components, or concepts
  - Support for TIOs is through Enabling Research Tasks
- Two Roles
  - Supporting industry subcontracts
  - Generating new technology



# TIOs' Potential for Improvement

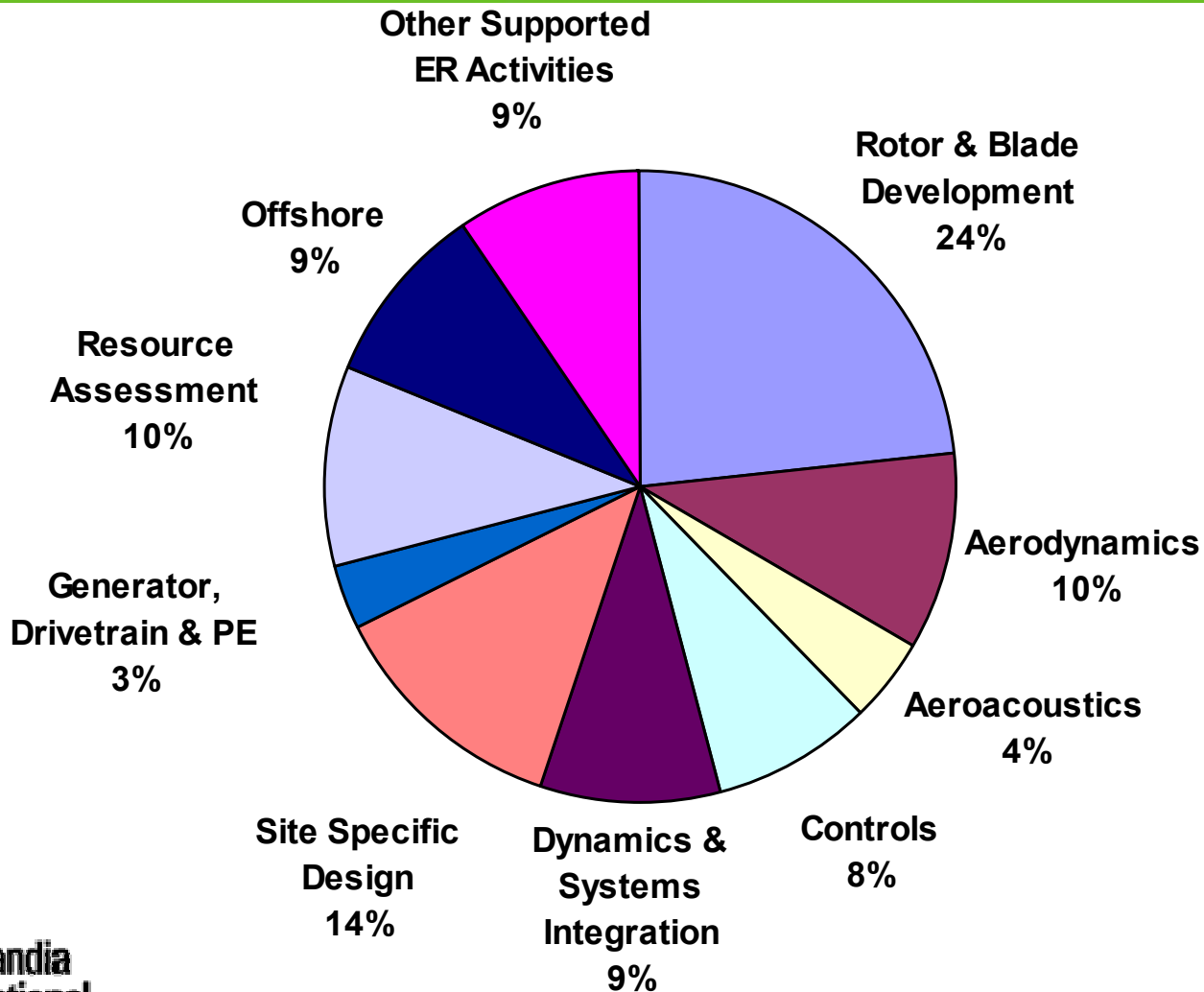
(% change from reference turbine)

**Capital Costs**
 **Annual Energy Production**
 **O&M Costs**
 **Reliability**





# Enabling Research \$ 10.2 M



# TIO Cross-walk with Enabling Research

			LWST Subcontracts																	
			LWST Subcontracts	Clipper Windpower - Quantum Turbine	GE Wind - Multi-Megawatt Turbine	Northern Power Systems - Generator drive train development - Direct Drive	Global Energy Concepts - single Stage Drive/Medium Speed Generator	Northern Power Systems - Advanced Power Electronics	Peregrine Power - Silicon Carbide PE	NATech - Thermal Plate Forming	New Generation Motors - Axial Flux Generator	BEW - Medium Voltage Drive	GEC Aero/ Control	GE Wind - Desalination	GEC - O&M	AWS - Atmospheric Meas/Model - Offshore	MIT - Floating Platform Dynamics	Concept Marine - Floating Platform/Anchor	GEC - Blade Study	
Technology Improvement Opportunities (TIOs)				Impact:																
				High																
				Moderate																
				Low																
			Pgm Investment :																	
Advanced (Enlarged) Rotor	Advanced materials		M	H																H
	Changed/improved structural/aero design		H	H										M						M
	Active controls		M	M										M						
	Passive controls			M										M						M
	Higher tip speed ratios/lower acoustics			M																
Manufacturing	Manufacturing methods			H						H										H
	Lower margins															M				M
	Manufacturing markups															H				H
Reduced Energy Losses & Increased Availability	Health monitoring (SCADA, etc)			M																
	Blade soiling mitigation																			
	Extended scheduled maintenance			M												H				
Advanced Tower TIOs	New Materials																			
	Innovative structures									H								H	H	
	Advanced foundations																	H	H	
	Self-erecting designs									H										
Site-Specific Design / Design Margin Reduction	Improved definition of site characteristics																H			
	Design load tailoring																H			
	Micrositing																H			
	Favorable wind speed distributions and shear																H	H	H	
Drive Train Concepts	Permanent magnet generator		H		H	H					H									
	Innovative mechanical drives		H		H						H									
Advanced Power Electronics TIOs	Incorporation of improved PE components		M	H	H		H	H				H								
	Advanced circuit topology		H			M	H	H				H								
Learning Curve Effects				M		M														M





# Selected Presentations



- High Impact efforts
- Major activity levels in FY05
- Cooperative interaction with industry
- LIST Testing in Lamar (Zayas)
- LIST Turbulence Model Development (Kelley)
- Advanced Blade Development (Ashwill)
- Advanced Controls Research (Fingersh)

